

which Peter steers, if it is of God, it shall
 be saved,
 and the ark which Innocent steers, if it is
 not of God, it
 must needs be that it sink: then shall
 the whole
 Eastern Church perish and all the West:
 France,
 Germany, Ireland, England and the
 barbarian king-
 doms, shall be drowned in the depths of
 the sea.¹

Bernard's eloquence and satire did not
 however
 win Roger over; instead, he declared
 the case too
 difficult for him; therefore let one of
 each party
 go with him to Palermo to spend
 Christmas there,
 and discuss the case once more with
 him and his
 bishops. This also was agreed to, and
 Cardinal
 Guido, of Innocent's party, prepared
 to go with
 the King.

The further conference was never
 held. On
 January 29th, Pope Anacletus died. His
 cardinals
 hastened to Roger, who was then in
 Italy, and
 with his approval elected Gregory, who
 assumed
 the title Victor II. But it was plain to
 all that no
 excuse remained for prolonging the
 schism; Victor
 himself on May 29th laid down tiara
 and robes,
 and Innocent was left alone in the
 field. The
 King at once recognised Innocent, and
 ordered
 him to be proclaimed as Father and
 Lord in all his
 lands; the Pope, however, was not so
 easily won,

and held to the excommunication
under which
Roger and all adherents of Anacletus
lay. Nor

¹ *Ignoti monachi Cisterciensis S. Marice de Ferrara
chronicon*,
p. 23, in the *Monumenta* of the Soc. Napol. di
Storia patria,
Serie I., Chronache (1888).